Welcome, visitors! Welcome members and friends of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church. Thank you for joining us in church and on our online service today.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated in our service this morning. +Guests who are baptized Christians, who acknowledge and confess their sinfulness, who confess Jesus Christ as their Savior from sin, and who believe that He is really present in Holy Communion to bring us His forgiveness and life, are welcome to the Lord's Table.

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January 19, 2025

Prelude – "We All Are One In Mission" – setting, Mark Sedio

WELCOME

(Please rise)

GATHERING HYMN – ELW 641 ALL ARE WELCOME

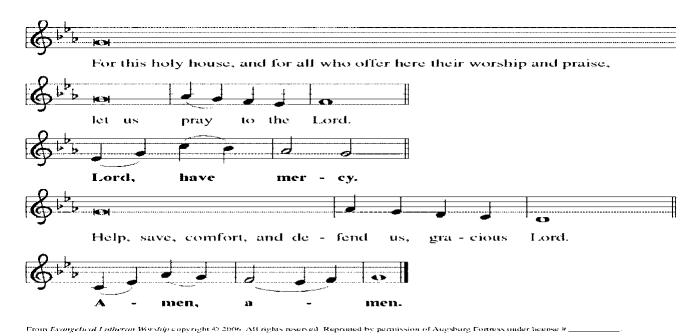
(v. 3 – Women & Children) (All join on Refrain)

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Cong - And also with you.





HYMN OF PRAISE – ELW 823 PRAISE THE LORD! O HEAVENS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Cong - Amen.

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

Bill Wise, Elder

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Leader – The Word of the Lord.

Cong – Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 36:5-10

We feast upon the abundance of your house, O LORD. (Ps. 36:8) (The Psalm will be read responsively, beginning with Leader)

⁵Your love, O LORD, reaches | to the heavens, and your faithfulness | to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, vour justice like | the great deep;

you save humankind and ani- mals, O LORD.

⁷How priceless is your | love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast upon the abundance | of your house;

you give them drink from the river of $\ensuremath{}^{\ensuremath{}^{\ensuremath{}}}$ your delights.

⁹For with you is the well of life,

and in your light | we see light.

¹⁰Continue your lovingkindness to | those who know you, and your favor to those who are | true of heart.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Bill Wise, Elder

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Leader – The Word of the Lord.

Cong - Thanks be to God.

(Please rise)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – CHOIR

Alleluia. Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him. Alleluia. (John 2:11

Pastor – The Holy Gospel according to John, the 2nd chapter.

Cong - Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

Pastor Kelly Reagan

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Pastor – The Gospel of the Lord.

Cong - Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON – "The Best is Yet to Come. Taste and See."

(Please rise)

HYMN OF THE DAY – ELW 488 SOUL, ADORN YOURSELF WITH GLADNESS

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS

Pastor – God of grace,

Cong - hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Cong - Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong – And also with you.

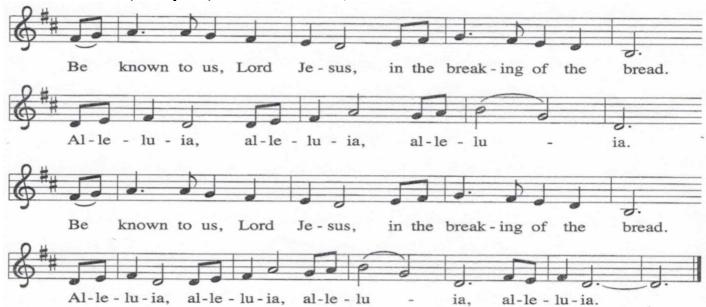
PEACE

(Please be seated)

OFFERING – "Now The Silence" – setting, Donald Busarow

(Please rise)

OFFERTORY – (ACS p. 40) "Be known to us, Lord Jesus.."



OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

Cong - Amen.

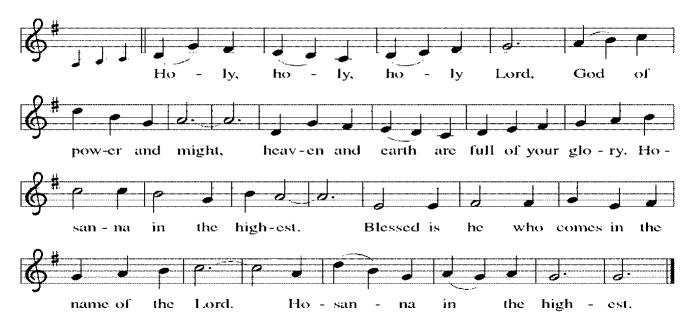
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Preface Dialogue



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING III (ELW pg. 110)

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Cong - Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Cong - Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Cong - Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

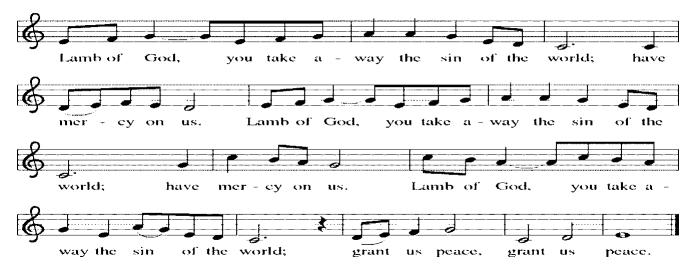
Cong - Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Lamb of God



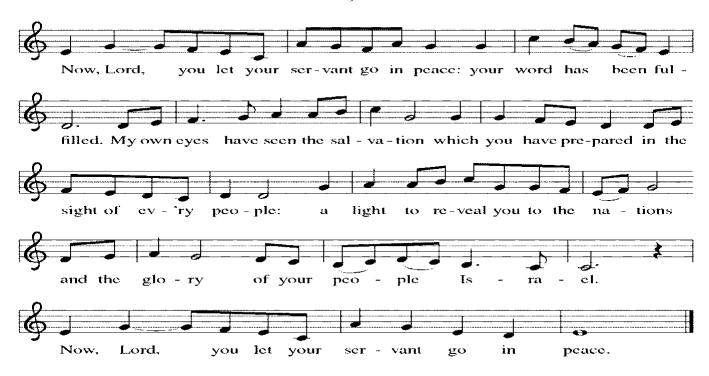
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COMMUNION HYMN – ELW 460 NOW THE SILENCE (sing twice) 473 HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(Please rise)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Now, Lord



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

Cong - Amen.

BLESSING

The Spirit of the triune God + bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **Cong - Amen.**

SENDING HYMN – ELW 576 WE ALL ARE ONE IN MISSION

(Please be seated)

Postlude – "Praeambulum" – Heinrich Scheidemann

Pastor - Go in peace. Live in hope.

Cong - Thanks be to God.

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MEASURE OF LOVE – January 12, 2025 Attendance –49 Total Deposit - \$2539.00

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 19, 2025

SUNDAY

Choir – 9:00 a.m.

Holy Communion Setting 1 - 9:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Class. – 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School – 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study Coffee – 10:00 a.m.

THURSDAY

 $\overline{\text{Al-Anon} - 10}$:30 a.m.

FRIDAY

AA - 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY

SUNDAY – January 26, 2025

Choir – 9:00 a.m.

Holy Communion Setting 1 - 9:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Class. – 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School – 11:00 a.m.

NEW SEMINARY ADOPT-A-STUDENT

Our new Seminary Adopt-A-Student is Jonathan Pietrowski, 6600 North Clinton Street Box 218,

Fort Wayne, IN 46825

About Jonathan

Home Phone: (419) 309-2420 Spouse's Name: Kathy Campus Box #: 218 Spouse's Birthdate: June 26 Anniversary: May 31

Year Began: 2024

Hometown: Genoa, OH
Home District: LCMS – Ohio District
Home Church: Trinity Lutheran Church – Elmore, OH

Children: Anastasia (March 21, 2007)
Griffin (September 28, 2016)
Sabrina (October 25, 2010)

Zoe (August 5, 2008)

Interest in Special Ministries:

Cross-cultural Ministry, Inner City, rural Ministry, Parish/Congregational



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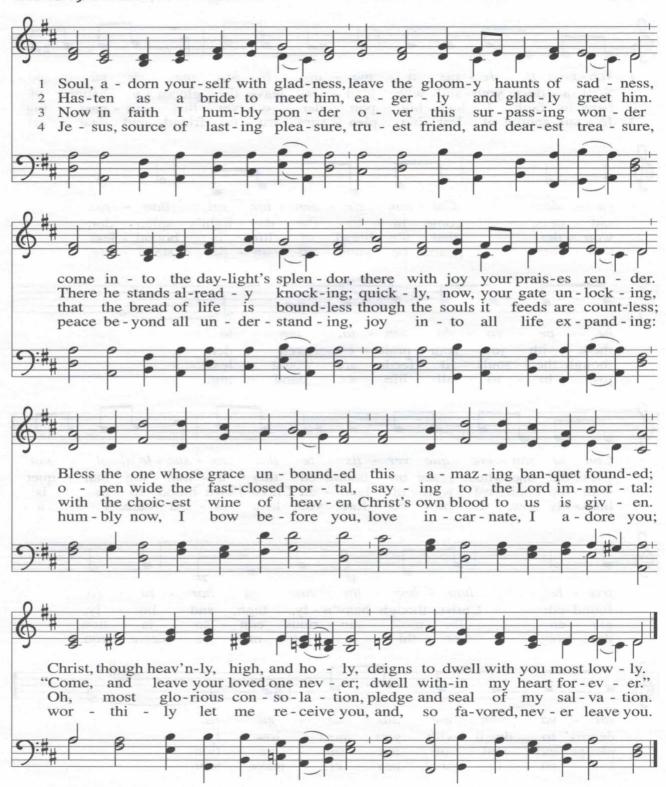
Praise the Lord! O Heavens



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Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

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Holy, Holy, Holy

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Santo, santo, santo



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